

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
WARRANT TO THE ANNUAL TOLLAND TOWN MEETING
JUNE 6, 2005 - FISCAL YEAR 2006

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Hampden: SS.

To the constable of the Town of Tolland in the County of Hampden GREETING;

IN THE NAME OF The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify warn the inhabitants of said town, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs to meet at the Town Hall in said Town of Tolland and on Monday, the sixth (6) day of June next at 7:15 in the afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles:-

Article 1 To see if the Town will vote to hear the report of the Southwick-Tolland Regional School Committee.

Article 2 **EDUCATION**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of **\$244,236.00** for the Southwick-Tolland Regional School District assessment for Fiscal Year 2006 commencing July 1, 2005 and ending June 30, 2006, or take any other action thereon.

Requested by the Southwick-Tolland Regional School District

Finance Advisory Committee recommends raise.

Article 3 To see if the Town of Tolland will vote not to disapprove certain additional debt authorized by the Southwick-Tolland Regional School Committee under a vote dated April 26, 2005, which reads as follows:

"Voted: approve authorization to incur debt by the issuance and sale of bonds or notes for the amount of **\$600,000.00** for the purchase of all items specified in the attached School District's Fiscal Year 2006 Capital Improvement Plan," or take any other action relative thereon.

Requested by the Southwick-Tolland Regional School District

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Article 4 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the following sums, necessary for GENERAL GOVERNMENT expenses according to the following schedule, or any other sums, or take any other action thereon:

<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>	\$ 118,027.93
Selectmen Salaries	
Chairman	\$ 2,307.00
Member	\$ 2,138.00
Member	\$ 2,138.00
Selectmen Expenses	\$ 1,900.00
Administrative Assistant	\$ 19,877.76
Town Counsel	\$ 6,000.00
Finance Committee Salaries	
Chairman	\$ 155.00
Secretary	\$ 129.00
Member	\$ 103.00
Member	\$ 103.00
Member	\$ 103.00
Finance Committee Expense	\$ 150.00
Assessors Salaries	
Chairman	\$ 1,636.00
Member	\$ 1,448.00
Member	\$ 1,448.00
Assessor Clerk	\$ 19,136.00
Assessors Expenses	\$ 6,000.00
Treasurer Salary	\$ 7,500.00
Treasurer Expenses	\$ 2,695.00
Tax Title (Treasurer)	\$ 1,000.00
Tax Collector Salary	\$ 5,000.00
Tax Collector Expenses	\$ 1,890.00
Tax Title (Collector)	\$ 1,000.00
Accounting Officer Salary	\$ 5,980.00
Office Supplies Expenses	\$ 3,000.00
Town Clerk Salary	\$ 5,000.00
Town Clerk Expenses	\$ 1,235.00
Meeting & Election Expense	\$ 4,200.00
Registrar of Voter Salary	\$ 52.00
Moderator Salary	\$ 52.00
Conservation Commission Expenses	\$ 95.00
Tech Support & Computer Expenses	\$ 9,839.17
Planning Board Salaries	
Chairman	\$ 754.00
Secretary	\$ 453.00
Member	\$ 258.00
Member	\$ 258.00
Member	\$ 258.00
Planning Board Expense	\$ 238.00
Zoning Board of Appeals Expenses	\$ 300.00
Town Records Restoration	\$ 1.00
Animal Inspector (Salary)	\$ 103.00
Animal Inspector Expenses	\$ 2,094.00
Town Common Lease	\$ 1.00

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Article 5 To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate from the tax levy to supplement the fiscal year 2006 budget the sum of **\$33,447.24** for the purpose of GENERAL GOVERNMENT contingent on the subsequent approval of an override question.

<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>	\$ 33,447.24
Selectmen Expenses	\$ 100.00
Administrative Assistant Salary Increase	\$ 1,002.24
Assessor Clerk Salary Increase	\$ 1,404.00
Revaluation Services	\$ 20,000.00
Treasurer Expenses	\$ 47.00
Accounting Officer Salary	\$ 182.00
Council on Aging	\$ 285.00
Town Clerk Expenses	\$ 65.00
Tech Support & Computer Expenses	\$ 5,000.00
Planning Board Expenses	\$ 262.00
Tattler Expenses	\$ 3,600.00
Furniture & Equipment	\$ 1,500.00

The Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend override.

Article 6 To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate from the tax levy to supplement the fiscal year 2006 budget the sum of **\$4,000.00** for the purpose of RESERVE FUND contingent on the subsequent approval of an override question.

<u>RESERVES</u>	\$4,000.00
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The Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend override.

Article 7 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the following sum, necessary for 911 account the sum of **\$3,271.93** schedule, or any other sum, or take any other action thereon:

Finance Advisory Committee recommends raise.

Article 8 To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate from the tax levy to supplement the fiscal year 2006 budget the sum of **\$52,770.00** for the purpose of PUBLIC SAFETY contingent on the subsequent approval of an override question.

<u>PUBLIC SAFETY</u>	\$ 52,770.00
Police Dept.	
(Salaries) Chief	\$ 5,348.00
Sargent	\$ 3,913.00
(3) Officers	\$ 10,104.00
Police Department Expenses	\$ 9,757.00
Fire Dept.	
(Salaries) Chief	\$ 3,548.00
Fire Department Expenses	\$ 20,000.00
Emergency Management Expenses	\$ 100.00

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Article 9 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the following sums, necessary for PUBLIC WORKS expenses according to the following schedule, or any other sums, or take any other action thereon:

<u>PUBLIC WORKS</u>	\$	199,039.31
Department of Public Works		
Superintendent	\$	43,305.60
Staff (Full Time)	\$	36,046.40
Staff (Part Time)	\$	12,167.57
Overtime (Snow & Ice)	\$	3,508.65
Constructions/Maintenance	\$	8,289.69
Snow & Ice Control	\$	50,000.00
Utilities	\$	22,000.00
Fuel	\$	23,721.40

Finance Advisory Committee recommends raise.

Article 10 To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate from the tax levy to supplement the fiscal year 2006 budget the sum of **\$73,298.31** for the purpose of PUBLIC WORKS **contingent on the subsequent approval of an override question.**

<u>PUBLIC WORKS</u>	\$	73,298.31
Department of Public Works		
Superintendent (Salary Increase)	\$	3,694.40
Staff (Full Time)(Salary Increase)	\$	1,224.40
Staff (Part Time)(Salary Increase)	\$	6,504.79
Overtime (Snow & Ice)	\$	3,164.40
Constructions/Maintenance	\$	33,710.32
Snow & Ice Control	\$	20,000.00
Cemeteries	\$	5,000.00

The Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend override.

Article 11 To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate from the tax levy to supplement the fiscal year 2006 budget the sum of **\$41,636.30** for the purpose of ONE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYEE **contingent on the subsequent approval of an override question.**

<u>PUBLIC WORKS</u>	\$	41,636.30
Department of Public Works		
Staff (Full Time)	\$	31,528.80
Workers Compensation	\$	1,300.00
Unemployment Compensation Insurance	\$	250.00
Health Insurance Expense	\$	8,257.50
Medicare Expense	\$	300.00

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- Article 12** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate from the tax levy to supplement the fiscal year 2006 budget the sum of **\$45,000.00** for the purpose of GARAGE/EMERGENCY SERVICE COMPLEX **contingent on the subsequent approval of an override question.**

The Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend override.

- Article 13** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the following sums, necessary for HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES expenses according to the following schedule, or any other sums, or take any other action thereon:

<u>HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES</u>	\$	5,334.54
Health Department Expenses	\$	190.00
V.N.A. Nursing Services	\$	1,000.00
Veterans Services - Administrative	\$	4,049.54
Veterans Benefits	\$	95.00

Finance Advisory Committee recommends raise.

- Article 14** To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate from the tax levy to supplement the fiscal year 2006 budget the sum of **\$10,289.30** for the purpose of CULTURAL/RECREATION **contingent on the subsequent approval of an override question.**

<u>CULTURAL/RECREATION</u>	\$	10,289.30
Library		
(Salaries) Librarian	\$	2,945.80
Staff	\$	3,412.50
Library Expense	\$	3,281.00
Recreation Committee Expense	\$	200.00
Historical Committee Expense	\$	450.00

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Article 15 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds or any other sums, the following sums, necessary for FIXED COSTS expenses according to the following schedule, or take any other action thereon:

<u>FIXED COSTS</u>	\$	97,229.62
DPW Pickup Truck + Interest (2005)	\$	7,130.89
PD Cruiser Loan + Interest (2006)	\$	7,649.94
Town Hall Loan + Interest (2008)	\$	9,391.44
Interest on short term debt	\$	5,000.00
Retirement Assessment	\$	26,147.00
Workers Compensation	\$	4,400.00
Unemployment Compensation Insurance	\$	200.00
Health Insurance Expense	\$	11,053.20
Medicare Expense	\$	2,000.00
Insurance & Bonds Expense	\$	24,257.15

Finance Committee recommends raise.

Article 16 To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate from the tax levy to supplement the fiscal year 2006 budget the sum of **\$7,500.00** for the purpose of an AUDIT **contingent on the subsequent approval of an override question.**

<u>AUDIT</u>	\$7,500.00
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The Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend override.

Article 17 To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate from the tax levy to supplement the fiscal year 2006 budget the sum of **\$9,000.00** the first of five (5) to the Town of Sandisfield for Tolland share of the ambulance cost **contingent on the subsequent approval of an override question.**

The Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend override.

Article 18 To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate from the tax levy to supplement the fiscal year 2006 budget the sum of **\$22,380.00 contingent on subsequent of the override question** to offset the FISCAL YEAR 2006 expense of \$53,122.00 to operate the Transfer Station Enterprise.

The Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend override.

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Article 19 To see if the Town will approve the authorization to incur debt by the issuance and sale of bonds or notes for the amount of \$250,000 for the purchase of all items or services in the attached Fiscal Year 2006 Capital Improvement Plan.

DPW Single Axle	\$ 170,000.00		
Highway Garage		Library	
Ventilation	\$ 2,500.00	Painting of Interior	\$ 1,000.00
Entry Door	\$ 1,000.00	Replacement of Doors	\$ 1,500.00
Update Electrical	\$ 10,000.00	Update Electrical	\$ 1,000.00
Salt Shed Addition	\$ 21,000.00	Replacing Furnace	\$ 5,000.00
York Rake	\$ 6,000.00	Walkway & Stairs	\$ 1,000.00
Police Garage		Town Hall	
Electical	\$ 1,000.00	Painting of Interior	\$ 1,000.00
Transfer Station		Replacement of Screens & Doors	\$ 1,000.00
New Building	\$ 4,000.00		
Electrical	\$ 1,000.00	Renovations	\$ 5,000.00
Concrete Pads	\$ 5,000.00	Electrical & Water Problems	\$ 12,000.00
Total	\$ 250,000.00		

The Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend.

Article 20 To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate from the tax levy to supplement the fiscal year 2006 budget the sum of **\$6,250.00** for the purpose of INTEREST ON CAPITAL BOND NOTE **contingent on acceptance of Article 19 and on the subsequent approval of an override question.**

The Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend override.

Article 21 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$76,780.68** for the Fiscal 2005 Winter Roads/Snow and Ice Deficit.

Finance Committee recommends raise.

Article 22 To see if the town will appropriate from Free Cash the sum of **\$50,000.00** to be used to reduce the FY2006 tax rate, or take any other action relative thereto.

Finance Committee recommends Free Cash.

Article 23 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for and accept any and all grants from the Federal Government or the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for which said grants are authorized or take any other action relative thereto.

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Article 24 To see if the Town will vote to borrow and expend any anticipation of funds for the construction and/or improvement of town roads as requested by the sum, Board of Selectmen to be reimbursed by the Commonwealth under State Aid Highway program Chapter 90, Section 34.

Finance Committee recommends borrow.

Article 25 To see if the Town will vote to authorize a revolving fund pursuant to MGL Chapter 44 Section 53E ½ to authorize the **Building Inspector** to receive **inspection fees and fines**, to be expended during FY2006 without further appropriation, for administrative duties including inspections, supplies and required professional courses, such expenditures not to exceed \$4,000.00 in revolving fund monies, or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Finance Committee.

Article 26 To see if the Town will vote to authorize a revolving fund pursuant to MGL Chapter 44 Section 53E ½ to authorize the **Electrical Inspector** to receive **inspection fees and fines**, to be expended during FY2006 without further appropriation, for administrative duties including inspections, supplies and required professional courses, such expenditures not to exceed \$2,000.00 in revolving fund monies, or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Finance Committee.

Article 27 To see if the Town will vote to authorize a revolving fund pursuant to MGL Chapter 44 Section 53E ½ to authorize the **Plumbing Inspector** to receive inspection fees and fines, to be expended during FY2006 without further appropriation, for administrative duties including inspections, supplies and required professional courses, such expenditures not to exceed \$2,000.00 in revolving fund monies, or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Finance Committee.

Article 28 To see if the Town will vote to authorize a revolving fund pursuant to MGL Chapter 44 Section 53E ½ to authorize the **Fire Department** to receive **inspection fees and fines**, to be expended during FY2006 without further appropriation, for administrative duties including inspections, supplies and required professional courses, such expenditures not to exceed \$300.00 in revolving fund monies, or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Finance Committee.

Article 29 To see if the Town will vote to authorize a revolving fund pursuant to MGL Chapter 44 Section 53E ½ to authorize the **Health Agent** to receive **inspection fees and fines**, to be expended during FY2006 without further appropriation, for administrative duties including inspections, supplies and required professional courses, such expenditures not to exceed \$3,000.00 in revolving fund monies, or take any other action relative thereto.

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- Article 30** To see if the Town will vote to authorize a revolving fund pursuant to MGL Chapter 44 Section 53E ½ to authorize the **Burial Agents** to receive **cemetery fees** to be expended during the FY2006 without further appropriation for administrative duties and services, such expenditures not to exceed \$1,000.00 in revolving fund monies, or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Finance Committee.

- Article 31** To see if the Town will vote to authorize a revolving fund pursuant to MGL Chapter 44 Section 53E ½ to authorize the **Planning Board** to receive **permit fees**, to be expended during FY2006 without further appropriation, for administrative duties and expenses including advertisement and postage, such expenditures not to exceed \$1,000.00 in revolving fund monies, or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Finance Committee.

- Article 32** To see if the Town will vote to authorize a revolving fund pursuant to MGL Chapter 44 Section 53E ½ to authorize the **Zoning Board of Appeals** to receive **permit fees**, to be expended during FY2006 without further appropriation, for administrative duties and expenses including advertisement and postage, such expenditures not to exceed \$1,000.00 in revolving fund monies, or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Finance Committee.

- Article 33** To see if the Town will vote to declare real property owned by the Town, located at and designated as **Map 111 Lot 12 (Woods Lane) .94+/- Acre, Map 114 Lot 33 (Traaack) .57+/- Acre, Map 116 Lot 10 (Beetle Road) 1.27 +/- Acre, Map 118 Lot 9 (East Otter Drive) .36 +/- Acre, Map 119 Lot 13 (South Village) .37 +/- Acre, Map 119 Lot 66 (Forest Road) .55 +/- Acre, Map 119 Lot 54 (Forest Road) .49 +/- Acre, Map 120 Lot 19 (Owls Nest Lane) .37 +/- Acre, and Map 119 Lot 70 (Forest Road) .49 +/- Acre.** available for disposition; authorize the Town to sell said real property in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30B; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into purchase and sale agreements, execute deeds, and do all things necessary to accomplish the sale of said real property.

The Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend.

- Article 34** To see if the Town will vote to MAINTAIN CURRENT STREETLIGHTING within the Town of Tolland.
- Article 35** To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

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And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereon at FOUR PUBLIC PLACES in said Town SEVEN (7) DAYS at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this thirty (30) day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand five.

SELECTMEN OF TOLLAND

Eric R. Munson, Jr.

James Deming

Wesley D. Greene II

A true copy. ATTEST:

Constable

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